GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
WATER RESOURCES
LOK SABHA

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SEA EROSION
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Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has assessed/proposed to assess the ecological damage like sea erosion that has taken place during the monsoon;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the extent of damage reported by each State/U.T.;

(d) whether the Union Government has received proposals from various State Governments/UTs for anti-sea erosion works; and

(e) if so, the details thereof alongwith the schemes proposed for protection of coastal areas during each of the last three years and the current year?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF WATER RESOURCES (SHRI VINCENT H. PALA)

(a) to (c): Sea erosion has been reported in coastal belt of the country by the State Governments. As per the information available from the maritime States, a total of 2017.45 km coastline in the mainland and 132 km in Lakshadweep Island are adversely affected by the sea erosion; the state-wise details of which are enclosed at Annexure-I.

(d): The maritime States including Union Territories (except Andaman & Nicobar Islands) earlier submitted the proposals for anti-sea erosion works to Union Government under National Coastal Protection Project (NCPP) for external assistance from Asian Development Bank (ADB). A Project Preparatory Technical Assistance (PPTA) programme was taken up by ADB for preparing Sustainable Coastal Protection and Management Project for the States of Goa, Karnataka and Maharashtra. One proposal for protection of coastal line of Tamil Nadu from natural calamities with a total cost of Rs 1012.26 Crore was received for external funding in the year 2008.

In addition, the Government of Gujarat also submitted a consolidated scheme, namely, "Anti-Sea Erosion Works" at an estimated cost of Rs. 530.20 Cr to Central Water Commission (CWC) in July, 2008 for external assistance under NCPP which was, afterwards, resubmitted as separate proposals for central assistance under Flood Management Programme (FMP) − a state sector scheme approved during XI Plan by the Cabinet.

(e): As on date, 12 anti-sea erosion schemes have been received from the Government of Gujarat under FMP in the last two years; the list of which is given at Annexure-II.

The schemes which were received for external assistance from the State Governments of Karnataka, Maharashtra, Goa and Tamil Nadu are given at Annexure-III.